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Applicants: MAFFITT et al.

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Title: **RECOMBINANT PROTEOLYTIC TRYPTASES, ACTIVE SITE MUTANTS THEREOF, AND METHODS OF MAKING SAME**

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)**

Commissioner for Patents  
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To the Commissioner:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated February 21, 2003 , for two months from May 21, 2003, to July 21, 2003 The granting of the requested extension of time will not extend the period for response beyond the six-month statutory limit.

A check for \$410 is enclosed to cover the petition fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-2055.

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